Ping Bodie, Famous Slugger, Signs Contract to Play With Yankees

Huggins Lands Outfielder After Weeks of Dickering

George Burns, of Tigers, a Yankee for a Few Minutes in Deal That Brings Ping Bodie to New York-First Squad Starts for Macon To-day

By W. J. Macbeth

Manager Miller Huggins of the Yankees has succeeded at last in roping that laboriously sought outfielder for his 1918 corral. In the person of Ping Bodie, late gardener at Shibe Park, Philadelphia, the Miller yesterday acquired title to a finished picket man, slugger and comedian all rolled into one. It was a three-cornered deal that brought the Native Son fence buster to these parts. New York purchased outright from Detroit night the services of First Baseman George Burns, then immediately traded

Giebel Proves

a Whole Team

This deal, it has been learned, has not seriously affected Huggins's negotiations for Tillie Walker, recently traded by the Red Sox to the Athletics. Walker, in all probability, will be a stable mate of Ping before opening day rolls 'round.

The presence of Bodie in a Yankee uniform should furnish many a merry quip for the metropolitan journalists who recount baseball anecdotes. Ping is a temperamental cuss, like most geniuses. If he were only a southpaw he might be considered "queer" as the "nut" brigade usually is. Certainly he is quite as experienced as any of Huggins's outfield candidates. He served a number of terms with the Chicago White Sox under Jimmy Callahan.

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Shuated back to the Coast, the native son clambered aboard the Big Sprinkler and began once more to usurp the was allowed to vegetate in the fall to 100-yard in 1:01-25, and the covered aboard the Big Sprinkler was allowed to vegetate in the fall of 1916, beating out about a dozen rivals who had put in claims.

Bodie despite its depressing surroundings with the Athletics last season, more than upheld major league tradition. He proved one of the most dangerous hitters of the Mack clandriving in approximately seventy runs. Bodie is not the feetest sentenced and the covered a multitude of Yankee shortcomings in 1917. In case the younger and speedier generation which Huggins will have in the South should crowd Pung into a bench warmer's position, he still will be of inestimable service as a pinch hitter.

This commodity, with the Yankees, has been painfully conspicuous by its absence since Hector was a pup. Bodie moreover, is a right-handed hitter, which should help greatly. Last season the Yankees ran so heavily to left-handed hitters that the rival managers simply "southpawed" them to death all the way.

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Huggins was further reassured, on the eve of his departure for the training camp at Macon, Ga., as to the outlield situation by the arrival of the signed contract of little Hughie High. This midget, who handles the wicked sun field of the Polo Grounds in admirable style, was away off form all of last season. His hitting was lamentably weak. But in 1916 High showed promise of real greatness. Huggins is hopeful that in his case, as well as in the cases of most of the other Yanks, 1917 may have been an off season.

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Manager Miller J. Huggins. Besides the newspaper men, Coach Pat O'Connoy. Trainer A. A. Woods and southpaw Herbert Thormahlen will leave this city from the Pennsylvania Station at 9:15 a. m. Second baseman Wilson Fewster will entrain at Baltimore and outfielder William Lamar will be picked up at Washington.

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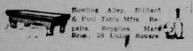
Another Baseball Game

MIDDLETOWN, Conn., March 7.
Lahman V. H. Bower, manager of the Wesleyan baseball team, has received word from the Amherst baseball manager cancelling the game which Amherst was to have played here June 15.

This was the annual commencement week contest, but since the Massachusetts college has decided to close earlier than usual it has been found.

The Pelham Bay Naval Reserve baseball team swamped the Brooklyn

Clarence E. Mitchell, the southpaw secured from Cincinnati by waiver this winter, has signed his 1918 contract with the Brocklyn National League chib.



'Mrs. Beresford Victor in Title Skating Contest

English Woman Defeats Miss Weld-N. W. Niles Wins Honors for Men

Theresa Weld, of Boston, in the competer of the women's international ligure skating championship, which was held at the St. Nicholas Rink last night. Mrs. Beresford evened an old score in her victory, as Miss Weld recently forced her opponent to be satisfied with second place in the Hippodrome Challenge Cup contest.

The foreign entry scored the larger number of her points in the school figure competition held last. Wednesday night. Miss Weld proved the more graceful in the free skating held last night, but was unable to make up the advantage gained by Mrs. Beresford in the first series.

Nathaniel W. Niles, of Boston, the lawn tennis player, easily won the men's international title. The Hub man had a large field to compete against, but his finished style far outshoe that of his opponents.

The spectators saw Sherwin Badger, of Boston, a youth of lifteen years of age, defeat several much older contestants in the men's open figure skating championship. Badger went through the various evolutions with ease and little friction, while he executed many intricate figures in the free style of skating.

Wins Fifteenth Game

The De La Salle Institute quintet trengtnened its claim to the private igh schools' basketball championship

Games at Miami "Pep" Young Returns

The "Knights of the Round Table," New York's most pretentious associa-tion of baseball rooters, held their an

TERE is shown in action Ping Bodie, fence buster extraordinary, secured yesterday for Mixsell Plays Brilliant the Yankees by Manager Miller Huggins. Bodie's is no name new to major league fandom. Ping played several years with the White Sox under Jimmy Callahan and after two years' sojourn in the sticks came back again a year ago as a member of the Athletics. Bodie is known for his eccentric comedy as well as for his hitting ability. Huggins purchased first baseman Burns from the Detroit Tigers and immediately traded him for Bodie.



Over the Sport Trail

By Louis Lee Arms ___

Especially the Mail Trucks

Has chanced to blow Across old Broadway lately, Those auto guys splash greatly.

Putting Bernhardi In Right!

ENERAL VON BERNHARDI, on page 245 of "Germany and the

against crediting sport with an exaggerated value for the national health."

In his chapter on "Army and Popular Education" Bernhardi writes:

"It is work, regarded as a duty, that forges men, not fanciful play.

Sport, which is spreading more and more among us, must always remain a means of recreation, not an end in itself, if it is to be justified at all.

Twenty Cubs in Line CHICAGO, March 7. With the signing to-day of Vaughn and Tyler, pitchers, Fred Mitchell, manager of the Chicago Nationals, said that twenty members of the club were now under contract. Six players remain to be signed, but Mitchell does not consider them holdouts. Hard, laborious work has made Germany great; in England, on the con-

BOXING New and Notes By FRE HALL HOUSE AND FREE HALL HOUSE AND FRE

Match on Squash Court

Princeton Club Athlete Defeats Arthur E. Ells, of Harvard and Will Meet Felix Jenkins, of Montclair Athletic Club, in Final To-morrow Afternoon

By A. C. Cavagnaro

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Mixsell in Better Condition

Harry R. Mixsell, the Princeton Club player, won a brilliantly fought match from Arthur E. Ells, Harvard, in the semi-final round of the national Class B squash tennis championship tournament at the Columbia Club yesterday. It was only a strong rally on the part of Mixsell, after a slow start in each game, that enabled him to win. The scores were

Johnson Puts Real Kick Into Michigan Team sell banked considerably on his ability to outsmash his rival and on his light

Johnson, of Michigan, the great particularly his 'cross-court attack, but freshman athlete of last year, certainly particularly his 'cross-court attack, but made good in his first big. intercollegiate competition. he won both hurdle ate competition. He won both flattine races outright and tied for the high jump at the big indoor meet of the University of Illinois last Saturday. He won the 75-yard high hurdles in 9% seconds, and the low hurdles over Mixsell proved the better conditioned player, and this told particularly in the last game, when Ells appeared tired, while Mixsell seemed to drive the harder as the game progressed.

medley team for the Friday programme.

Larsen and Hellum

Enter Big Games Here

The entries of two champions were received yesterday for the senior national indoor A, A. U. track and field championships, which will take place at the 22d Regiment Armory, on Saturday, March 16. One was from Clinton Larsen, the former Brigham Young University athlete, who is the present outdoor national senior running highly lump champion. He will come from the aviation camp at Waco, Texas, where he is learning the art of flying. The other entrant was John Hellum, of Norway, who holds the shot-put championship among his countrymen. Hellum is an athlete of high calibre, having won the Pentathlon championship of Norway for four successive years.

leeping Cars Will Carry Cubs to Coast loud applause and the pace set was the fastest of the match. Ells presently began to show the strain, as Mixsell several times caught him out of position. With Ells on the defensive Mixsell Two Sleeping Cars Will

Brooklyn Ice Palace

Hockey is reaching an exceedingly interesting stage in the race for the championship of the Public Schools Athletic League. With only three more double-headers to be played, any one of four schools still has a look-in at the litle and the medals offered by the Amateur Hockey League. Erasmus Hall and Poly Prep are the leaders, but Jamaica and Flushing are so close on their heels that it is hard to predict the probable outcome of the series.

A great deal depends upon the games to be played at the Brooklyn Ice Palace

The party, composed of thirty persons, is scheduled to leave here next Tuesday night and is due in Pasadena, a result of the class of 19, will lead the College of the City of New York basketball squad. Tuesday night and is due in Pasadena.

Signal Corps Defeats

Translated Chicago. March 7.—The Chicago National Reague club will travel to its spring training grounds on the Pacific Coast in two sleeping cars at tached to a mail train, it was an nounced to-day. In former years when the team went to the coast for training, a special train earrying sixty or but this year the government notified club officials that curtailment of account of the war.

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Fyander High Five

The signal corps battalion which is stationed at City College, decisively defeated the Evander Childs High School in a basketball contest at the City College gymnasium last night. The schoolboys were unable to follow the fast pace set by their rivals, who caged sixteen field goals against three for the school of the score was 32 to 8 to 10 Evander. The score was 32 to 8. Signal Corps (32). Position. Evander of the Lodiev. R. F.

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Hot Springs Entries

The following players will report direct from their various homes in time to begin active training Monday: Scouts Joe Kelley and Bob Connery, catchers "Truck" Hannah and Harold Ruel, pitchers Slim Love, Ed Monroe and Bob McGraw, outfielders Sam Vick and Howard Camp and infielder Aaron Ward.

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